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WRITTEN ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 CFR §1.27(a)(3)
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The undersigned hereby asserts entitlement to small entity status as a non-profit organization under 37 CFR §1.27(a)(3) on behalf of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

This assertion is made on the ground that Massachusetts Institute of Technology is either:

- (a) a university or other institution of higher education located in any country;
- (b) an organization of the type described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 USC §501(c)(3)) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 USC §501(a));
- (c) any nonprofit scientific or educational organization qualified under a nonprofit organization statute of a state of this country (35 USC §201(i)); or
- (d) any nonprofit organization, located in a foreign country, that would qualify as a nonprofit organization under paragraphs (b) or (c) above if it were located in this country,

and *has not* assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the above-referenced patent application to any party who does not qualify for small entity status either as a person, a small business concern, or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR §1.27.

Respectfully Submitted,

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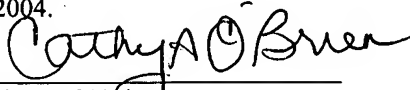


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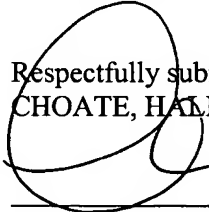
Enclosed please find the following in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

Written Assertion of Small Entity Status Under 37 CFR §1.27(a)(3)
Non Profit Organization; and a return postcard.

Although we believe that we have appropriately provided for any fees due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to/from our **Deposit Account No. 03-1721**. Two originally-executed copies of this form are being submitted.

Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 248-4042.

Respectfully submitted,
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